

INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF CONCERN

The second International WEEK OF CONCERN encourages events to help free the Vietnamese political prisoners, end all aid to the Thieu/Lon Nol regimes, and bring about Universal Unconditional Amnesty for American war resisters. Some examples: New Zealanders will converge on their capitol city with tiger cages on the backs of pickup trucks - stopping in communities along the way... delegates in Europe and Asia will be visiting the U.S. Embassies demanding release of Thieu's political prisoners... In California, religious services are being organized in churches and temples... at several universities, including Johns Hopkins, Georgetown, Wesleyan, Stanford and U. of Michigan, study/action day will be October 1... in Cleveland, a refugee camp will be set up to dramatize the plight of Vietnamese not allowed to return home... in Washington, D.C. amnesty packets will be delivered to senators and representatives by religious leaders... and in NEW YORK CITY, ..

There will be demonstrations beginning Sunday Sept. 28th at St. Patrick's Cathedral with activities going through Friday and ending with a Vietnamese Cultural Performance. Monday through Friday we are planning demonstrations with tiger cages at such places as the Stock Exchange, Grand Central Station, the Port Authority, Internal Revenue Service and possibly the U.S. Mission to the U.N. The sites were picked to reach the greatest number of people and to convey American responsibility for the cages in south Vietnam. We will have people in the cages, leafletting, and people checking others for correct I.D., explaining as they do that under Thieu, incorrect I.D. can lead to prison.

On Sunday a vigil at St. Patrick's Cathedral will call attention to the Pope's statement calling for amnesty and release of political prisoners in the spirit of Holy Year. There is also a possibility of setting up a tiger cage at St. Patrick's along with other activities. We will be gathering together at 9:30 a.m. in the lobby of N.Y. Theological Seminary, 235 E. 49th St. For further information contact Catholic Peace Fellowship at 673-8990.

The exact places of the Monday through Friday "tiger cage actions" have not yet been chosen. Anyone interested in coming to any of the demonstrations should try to be at the final planning meeting at War Resisters League, 339 Lafayette St. at 1 p.m. Saturday the 28th. Since those in Power do not seem inclined to grant permits, there is a possibility of arrest during these demonstrations. We should talk about how to handle this, and who does and doesn't want to be arrested. For those who do not, leafleters are needed. We will also be meeting each day before the actions at 9:30 a.m. at Clergy and Laity Concerned, 235 E. 49th St. on the 11th floor. These meetings are important to finalize plans for the day. We will leave from there and go to the site of the action.

On Friday October 5th at 8:00 p.m. there will be a Vietnamese Cultural Performance, with songs and dance by the Vietnamese Cultural Troupe, as well as songs of solidarity by Barbara Dane, Al Riate (the singing P.O.W.) and others. Two tickets are enclosed for your purchase or sale to interested people. The price is \$2.50, \$1.50 for students and subsistence workers. Please send money to Karl Bissinger, WRL, 339 Lafayette St., NYC 10012 (more tickets can be obtained from Karl.) Success of the program depends on your help!

For general information on the WEEK OF CONCERN call Dee Knight at the National Coalition for Universal Unconditional Amnesty, 228-1500, or WRL at 228-0450. For information on the demonstrations call WRL.

Posters are available for 5¢ apiece, in quantity, 25¢ each for single copies; buttons for 35¢ (10 for \$1.00). There is also a general leaflet available in quantity at 2¢ each.

SEPT. 29 - OCT. 5

WAR RESISTERS LEAGUE ACTION CALENDAR

- Sunday, September 22 DAYS OF SOLIDARITY with PUERTO RICO 2 pm
U.N. Methodist Church Center 777 U.N. Plaza 8th floor
Committee for Puerto Rican Decolonization (see enclosed leaflet)
- YOM KIPPUR VIGIL 2:30 pm
Assemble at Hammaraskold Plaza, 46th and First Avenue.
Group will then walk to the Israeli Mission to United Nations
at 42nd St. and Second Avenue, arriving at 3:15 pm and will
walk from there to the P.L.O. office, Park Avenue and 40th
St., arriving there at 4:15 pm. All League members Jews
and non-Jews, are urged to take part in a vigil opposing
all violence and terrorism in the Middle East on this, the
holiest day in the Jewish Year. This is a demonstration
organized by concerned Jews - please give your support.
- Saturday, September 28 New York Coalition for MNESTY and ENDING U.S. AID to
Dictators THIEU and LON NOL
2 pm Demonstrative Picket Line 14th St. Armory and March
4 pm Rally Washington Square Park (see enclosed leaflet)
- Sunday, September 29
- Friday, October 4 INTERNATIONAL WEEK OF CONCERN on Amnesty and Indochina
Sponsored by WRL, CALA, AFSC, CPF, EPF, NCUUA
(see enclosed leaflet)
- Wednesday, October 2 DEVI PRASAD, Chairperson of War Resisters International, and
JOSEPH ABILEAH of the Israeli section of the W.R.I. will
speak at 7:30 pm. Devi will just have returned from a speaking
tour of India and this will be his only appearance in the New
York area this year. The meeting will be held in the Community
Room of 75 Henry St., Cadman Plaza in Brooklyn Heights. Take
the IRT Seventh Avenue line and get off at the Clark Street station
in Brooklyn. The meeting is sponsored by SERVAS, in coopera-
tion with WRL and other peace organizations. Speaking with
Devi and Joseph will be Madame Gaymard Rollet of World
Citizens.
- Sunday, October 6 LEADERSHIP TRAINING WORKSHOP on the MIDDLE EAST 12-6 pm
To include panels and workshops for those with some background
and interest in Middle East community education programs. War
Resisters League sponsorship with other NYC peace groups.
Send \$5 dollar registration fee in advance to WRL-ME Seminar
c/o WRL 339 Lafayette St., NYC 10012. Location will be announced
by mail in registration packets.
- Call W.R.L.
for locations
(212) 228-0450
- ISRAELI PEACE MOVEMENT in the SHADOW of the FOURTH WAR
8 pm Following the seminar, there will be a program with
Peretz Kidron who has recently arrived from Israel. Peretz has
been active in SIACH, the Israeli New Left Organization since
its founding. Sponsored by WRL, CALA, FOR and other NYC groups.

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